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November 30, 2005

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger  
State Capitol Building  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Support for California's Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Targets

Dear Gov. Schwarzenegger:

At the United Nations World Environment Day in San Francisco last June, you sent a signal to the rest of the country – and to the world – that California is serious about reducing our contributions to global warming. You said, "I say the debate is over. We know the science. We see the threat. And we know the time for action is now."

The City of Santa Monica agrees wholeheartedly and urges your administration to move forward expeditiously in implementing strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to meet the aggressive climate targets.

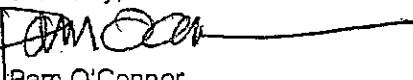
As the world's 9th largest emitter of greenhouse gases, California is obligated to take action now. Global warming threatens our economy, our quality of life, and the health of our environment. Higher greenhouse gas levels in the atmosphere threaten to cause severe weather conditions as well as significant changes in global climate patterns. These changes will in turn negatively affect water quality and supply, air quality, and public health.

The citizens of California will benefit from policies that support investment in clean, efficient energy production and innovative technologies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while creating new jobs and a more sustainable economy.

California is uniquely positioned to take a global lead on policies to address global warming. These policies should be based on comprehensive analysis and a robust public process to show how the different strategies will lead to attainment of all the targets. We can start now by putting our smartest scientists and engineers to work to develop clean, safe, and affordable energy and transportation solutions.

Santa Monica supports your efforts, Governor Schwarzenegger, and we look forward to doing our part in the critically important work that lies ahead.

Sincerely,



Pam O'Connor  
Mayor

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